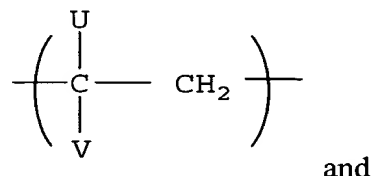


**Amendment to Specification**

On page 5, paragraph starting from line 22 to 25:

Q is a polymer comprising the repeating units selected from the group consisting of



repeating units from maleic anhydride, N-alkylmaleimide, N-arylmaleimide, dialkyl fumarate and cyclopolymerizable monomers;

The paragraph starting on page 6, lines 35-37 and ending on page 7, lines 1-5:

The monomer moieties and value of q in the monomer repeating unit(s) derived from those in (i) are selected so that:

when  $q [\geq 1] \equiv 1$  and Q results from a single monomer species, then [~~the polymer~~] Q is a homopolymer chain;

when  $q \geq 2$  and Q results from the selection from 2 or more different monomer species in irregular sequence then [~~the polymer~~] Q is a copolymer chain; and

when  $q \geq 2$  and Q results from the selection from 2 or more different monomer species in which each different monomer or group of monomers appears in a discrete sequence then [~~the polymer~~] Q is a block copolymer chain.